

RIDGEWOOD TRAILS COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT DISTRICT
RULES RELATING TO OVERNIGHT PARKING AND PARKING ENFORCEMENT

In accordance with Chapter 190, *Florida Statutes*, and on November 1, 2017 at a duly noticed public meeting, the Board of Supervisors of the Ridgewood Trails Community Development District (“District”) adopted the following policy to govern overnight parking and parking enforcement on certain District property. This policy repeals and supersedes all prior rules and/or policies governing the same subject matter.

SECTION 1. INTRODUCTION. The District finds that parked Commercial Vehicles, Vehicles, Vessels and Recreational Vehicles (hereinafter defined) on certain of its property Overnight (hereinafter defined) cause hazards and danger to the health, safety and welfare of District residents, paid users and the public. This policy is intended to provide the District’s residents and paid users with a means to park Vehicles of overnight guests in the District’s Overnight Parking Areas (hereinafter defined) and remove such Commercial Vehicles, Vehicles, Vessels and Recreational Vehicles from District designated Tow-Away Zones consistent with this Policy and as indicated on **Exhibit A** attached hereto. This Policy authorizes parking in designated areas, which areas are identified in **Exhibit B** attached hereto.

SECTION 2. DEFINITIONS.

- A. *Commercial Vehicle.* Any mobile item which normally uses wheels, whether motorized or not, that (i) is titled, registered or leased to a company and not an individual person, or (ii) is used for business purposes even if titled, registered or leased to an individual person.
- B. *Vehicle.* Any mobile item which normally uses wheels, whether motorized or not.
- C. *Vessel.* Every description of watercraft, barge, or airboat used or capable of being used as a means of transportation on water.
- D. *Recreational Vehicle.* A vehicle designed for recreational use, which includes motor homes, campers and trailers relative to same.
- E. *Parked.* A Vehicle, Vessel or Recreational Vehicle left unattended by its owner or user.
- F. *Tow-Away Zone.* District property in which parking is prohibited and in which the District is authorized to initiate a towing and/or removal action.

G. *Overnight.* Between the hours of 10:00 p.m. and 6:00 a.m. daily.

SECTION 3. DESIGNATED PARKING AREAS. Those areas within the District's boundaries depicted in **Exhibit A**, which is incorporated herein by reference, are hereby established as "Tow-Away Zones" during Overnight hours for all Commercial Vehicles, Vessels, Recreational Vehicles and improperly permitted Vehicles, as set forth in Sections 4 and 5 herein ("**Tow Away Zone**"). Vehicles may be parked overnight on District property, only as indicated on **Exhibit B**, attached hereto ("**Overnight Parking Areas**") and with a pre-approved permit as set forth in this Policy.

SECTION 4. ESTABLISHMENT OF TOW-AWAY ZONES. The areas set forth in **Exhibit A** attached hereto are declared a Tow Away Zone.

SECTION 5. EXCEPTIONS.

A. OVERNIGHT PARKING PERMITS. Residents may apply for an "Overnight Parking Permit" which will allow such resident and/or guest to park in the Overnight Parking Areas after-hours, and overnight. Overnight Parking Permit requests will be granted in accordance with the following:

1. Permits may not exceed seven (7) consecutive days. In no event may an Overnight Parking Permit be granted for more than fourteen (14) nights per year for one automobile, as identified by the automobile's license plate number.
2. Residents and paid users interested in an Overnight Parking Permit may submit a request to the District Manager or his/her designee which includes the following information:
 - (1) The name, address and contact information of the owner of the vehicle to which the permit will be granted;
 - (2) The make/model and license plate of the vehicle to which the permit will apply;
 - (3) The reason and special terms (if any) for the Overnight Parking Permit; and
 - (4) The date and time of the expiration of the requested Overnight Parking Permit.

It is the responsibility of the person(s) requesting an Overnight Parking Permit to secure all necessary documentation and approvals. Failure to secure all necessary documentation and approvals will result in the towing and/or removal of the Vehicle from the District's property. Improperly permitted Vehicles parked in the Tow Away Zones will be subject to towing.

3. Upon receipt of all requested documentation, as set forth above, the District Manager or his/her designee will issue an Overnight Parking Permit to the resident. Overnight Parking Permits will be granted by way of written correspondence by the District Manager or his/her designee. No verbal grants of authority will be issued or be held valid.
4. The Overnight Parking Permit must be displayed on the bottom left side of the Vehicle windshield.

B. VENDORS/CONTRACTORS. The District Manager or his/her designee may authorize vendors/consultants in writing to park company vehicles in order to facilitate District business. All vehicles so authorized must be identified by an Overnight Parking Pass.

SECTION 6. TOWING/REMOVAL PROCEDURES.

A. SIGNAGE AND LANGUAGE REQUIREMENTS. Notice of the Tow-Away Zones shall be approved by the District's Board of Supervisors and shall be posted on District property in the manner set forth in Section 715.07, *Florida Statutes*. Such signage is to be placed in conspicuous locations, in accordance with Section 715.07, *Florida Statutes*.

B. TOWING/REMOVAL AUTHORITY. To effect towing/removal of a Commercial Vehicle, Vehicle, Vessel or Recreational Vehicle, the District Manager or his/her designee must verify that the subject Commercial Vehicle, Vehicle, Vessel or Recreational Vehicle was not authorized to park under this rule and then must contact a firm authorized by Florida law to tow/remove Commercial Vehicle, Vehicles, Vessels and Recreational Vehicles for the removal of such unauthorized vehicle at the owner's expense. The Commercial Vehicle, Vehicle, Vessel or Recreational Vehicle shall be towed/removed by the firm in accordance with Florida law, specifically the provisions set forth in Section 715.07, *Florida Statutes*.

C. AGREEMENT WITH AUTHORIZED TOWING SERVICE. The District's Board of Supervisors is hereby authorized to enter into and maintain an agreement with a firm authorized by Florida law to tow/remove unauthorized vehicles and in accordance with Florida law and with the policies set forth herein.

SECTION 7. PARKING AT YOUR OWN RISK. Vehicles, Vessels or Recreational Vehicles may be parked on District property pursuant to this rule, provided however that the District assumes no liability for any theft, vandalism and/ or damage that might occur to personal property and/or to such vehicles.

EXHIBIT A – *Tow Away Zone*

EXHIBIT B - *Map of Overnight Parking Areas*

Effective date: November 1, 2017